



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION
DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor
Nashville, TN 37243-1534

April 28, 2017

Mayor Carl Cooper
City of Chapel Hill
2202 Unionville Rd.
PO Box 157
Chapel Hill, TN 37034

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Subject: Notice of Violation for Failure to Register for NPDES Electronic Reporting in NetDMR
TN0064670 Chapel Hill STP
Marshall County, Tennessee

Dear Mayor Cooper,

As required by the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Electronic Reporting Rule (40 CFR 127.16), all NPDES permittees with Discharge Monitoring Report (DMR) permit requirements, with the exception of those covered by waivers under 40 CFR 127.15, must electronically submit DMRs through NetDMR beginning no later than December 21, 2016.

Chapel Hill STP personnel were notified by email of the December 21, 2016 deadline on the following dates: July 11, September 12, September 20, and November 28, 2016. On December 7, 2016, Division personnel spoke to Mr. Helmick on the phone and sent him an email the next day with the request for a temporary waiver for DMR electronic reporting attached. To date, Chapel Hill STP have neither registered for an account on NetDMR nor submitted a request for a temporary waiver.

Under 40 CFR 127.15, NPDES-permitted facilities may instead request a temporary waiver from DMR reporting through NetDMR with valid justification on the following conditions:

- The temporary waiver will be valid for a period of one (1) year from receipt of approval.
- The town will use the additional time to acquire the resources necessary to comply with NPDES electronic reporting requirements, as defined in 40 CFR 127.

The above violations must be addressed within thirty (30) days of receipt of this letter. Please submit a written explanation for the violations to the manager of the Compliance and Enforcement Unit located at 312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue, 11th Floor, Nashville, TN 37243-1534, and apply for a temporary waiver with just cause, or register for an account in NetDMR and start electronically submitting DMRs. Failure to comply with the deadline listed above may result in the escalation of enforcement action.

The Division appreciates your efforts to maintain clean and safe water in Tennessee. Should you have any further questions, feel free to contact Sarah Elias at (615) 532-0683 or by email at sarah.elias@tn.gov, or you may contact me at (615) 532-0676.

Sincerely,



Jessica Murphy
Manager
Compliance and Enforcement Unit

CC: DWR – Columbia EFO – (via e-mail)
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Mr. John Helmick, jonhelmick@yahoo.com
Compliance File